

LAC LA BELLE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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Commissioners Meeting
THURSDAY, April 15, 2010 – 7 P.M.

Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall

6812 Brown Street
Oconomowoc, WI 53066

“The LLBMD seeks to promote environmentally conscious and fiscally responsible decisions by providing education, enhancing a healthy lake ecosystem and ensuring safe use of Lac LaBelle for today and tomorrow.”

Minutes

1. Call to Order

P. Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call of Commissioners

Present

Paul Carpenter
Dave Falstad
Mike Fitzsimmons
Lou Morgan
Richard Paul

Absent

Jan Husak
Sally Keefe

Also Present

Sarah Toomsen, Yaggy Colby
Julie Larsen
George Stumpf
Bob & Lisa Conley

3. Comments from the Floor

Lisa Conley – Discussed the WAL Convention. One of the main themes of the convention was shoreland and its management. Shoreline is critical to the health of the lake followed by phosphorous and nutrients. She felt that the District was doing a good job educating people on the importance of the shoreline. L. Conley and G. stump discussed State and Local shoreline zoning regulations.

Dave Falstad – Discussed the WAL Convention. He thought some of the speakers, particularly Greg Breese of the Wisconsin DNR, did a great job. He encouraged everyone to attend in the future.

4. Correspondence

Emails

April 7, 2010 – Julie Larsen regarding Shoreline Restoration

April 7, 2010 – Lisa Conely regarding Wisconsin Lake Convention

April 9, 2010 – To Attorney Chapman from Paul Carpenter regarding High Water Determination and Slow No Wake

April 12, 2009 – Sarah Toomsen to Paul Carpenter regarding Lac LaBelle Project Information

April 12, 2009 – Julie Larsen regarding Email List

5. Approval of Minutes – March 18, 2010

D. Falstad motioned to approve the March 18, 2010 minutes as presented. L. Morgan seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was distributed.

L. Morgan motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report. D. Falstad seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

7. Payment Authorizations

R. Paul motioned to approve the payments. D. Falstad seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

8. Website Updates

The High Water article will be put on the website.

M. Fitzsimmons distributed a bid from Municipal CMS. The bid included hosting and updates. Two more bids are expected.

9. Discuss & Act on Lac La Belle Water Quality Improvement Project

P. Carpenter stated that discussions on water quality and areas of impact have been taking place for a long time. LLBMD has begun to develop a land acquisition evaluation process.

The Town of Oconomowoc and Village of Lac La Belle have approached LLBMD in regards to grant funding for a Lac LaBelle/Stream Project.

G. Stumpf made a presentation and stated that in the past a lot of drainage carrying silt went into the lake from Marks Farm and Shorehaven area. A similar problem is occurring with water coming out of the Country Club Creek. An easement has been secured from the lake along the canal and North of Lang Road for stream bank restoration. The Village of Lac La Belle is asking the County for an easement along the creek in County-owned lands. If this is granted, an application could be submitted by the end of the month for a 70% matching grant. Costs of stream bank restoration and buffers could be as high as \$500,000 with \$350,000 being paid for through grants. G. Stumpf requested a cost sharing agreement between the Village of Lac La Belle, Town of Oconomowoc, Waukesha County, and the LLBMD. The deadline for Lake Management grants is May 1. Stream bank restoration would take place along with land acquisition and pond development in 2011. Collaboration from the Town of Oconomowoc and Village of Lac La Belle has been obtained and although they will be contacting the City, he did not want to hold up the process up by waiting for them.

S. Toosmen, a Land Planner with Yaggy Colby, explained that water quality is the reason for the project. One of the major problems identified in the lake is sediment. She explained the proposed areas for stream bank regrading. Planting native vegetation to maintain the shoreline would take place after regrading. Areas for proposed buffer strips and conservation easements were identified. A preliminary drawing for the project's last component, a stormwater quality basin, was displayed. G. Stumpf stated that he would like to expand the stormwater quality basin to accommodate growing needs. The proposed water quality pond is located on an acquired one acre piece of land. Required annual maintenance would be performed by the municipality in which the basin is located. This project will have a great impact on the improvement of the lake's water quality.

Discussion took place on the land by the Runyard Farm and their impact on this project.

G. Stumpf asked LLBMD for participation and assistance with the engineer and grant process costs. Initially, this would require LLBMD to submit a letter of support and \$4,000 (one-third of the \$12,000 fees) for the engineering and grant application fees.

P. Carpenter motioned to write a letter of support and to approve the expenditure of up to one-third of the application fees not to exceed \$4,000 to assist in the funding of the engineering and grant costs for the Lac La Belle/Stream Project. R. Paul seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

10. Discuss High Water Determination and Current Local Laws

P. Carpenter met with M. Frye and S. Sugden of the City to view how high water determinations are made. An article will be inserted into the Spring newsletter and posted on the website.

Notification of slow-no-wake takes place by notices posted at the launch and in one of the daily papers. The Village lake patrol always gives a warning the first time to offenders when slow-no-wake is in effect.

11. Discuss Slow No Wake Ordinance and Notification

G. Stumpf stated that the high water ordinances passed by the Town and City of Oconomowoc were binding but was not sure if the Village passed an ordinance.

12. Review Current Status of Town Representative Assignment to LLBMD

No report. P. Carpenter will contact the Town to determine the status.

13. Discuss & Act on CarpFest Activities

- The DNR boat will be at CarpFest on Saturday between 10-12 a.m.
- L. Morgan will get about 150 T-shirts in mixed sizes.
- R. Paul is ready to place the ads.
- D. Falstad will assist on Friday from 4-5 p.m. and Sunday from 7-8 a.m.

14. Discuss & Act on DNR Fishery Report

The fishery report is not complete, but will be presented at a LLBMD meeting when finished.

15. Discuss & Act on Goose Round-up

No discussion.

16. Update on Newsletter

The following subjects will be added to the newsletter:

- Shoreline Restoration – last year's information will be used
- LLB Foundation – to be submitted by Bob Conley
- Clean Lake Bill – to be submitted by Jeff Bode
- Annual Meeting Date

17. Update on Shoreline Restoration 2010 Project

J. Larsen reviewed the process that was used in 2009 with S. Keefe and will be undertaken again this year.

18. Set Annual Meeting Date

The annual meeting will be held on Thursday, September 2, 2010 at the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall at 7 p.m.

19. Set Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Lac La Belle Management District will be held at 7 p.m. on May 20, 2010 at the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall.

20. Agenda for Next Meeting

To be determined.

21. Adjournment

R. Paul motioned to adjourn from the meeting. D. Falstad seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Minutes prepared by:

Accurate Business Communications, Inc.